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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	SHIRAISHI, et al.	Examiner:	AGUIRRECHEA, J.
Serial No.:	10/055,640	Group Art Unit:	2834
Filed:	January 22, 2002	Docket No.:	10873.867US01
Title:	PIEZOCOMPOSITE, ULTRASONIC PROBE FOR ULTRASONIC DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT, ULTRASONIC DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING PIEZOCOMPOSITE		

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicants elect Group I (claims 1 to 13) in response to the Restriction Requirement of June 27, 2003.

Applicants traverse the requirement to the extent of requesting that claims in Group II that correspond to allowable Group I claims be reinstated for allowance. An early and favorable action on the merits is requested.

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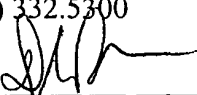
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